REMARKS:

- 1) Entry of this Second Preliminary Amendment including new claims 6 and 7 is respectfully requested. Claims 6 and 7 are based on original, literally translated claims 3 and 4, except for avoiding the improper multiple dependencies and an informal British spelling. Other informalities in the directly translated PCT application will be addressed during the prosecution.
- 2) Note that the Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority found that all claims 1 to 5 of the PCT International Application (corresponding to present claims 1, 2 and 5 to 7) satisfied all criteria for patentability.
- 2) Claims 1, 2 and 5 to 7 are the claims to be examined. Favorable consideration and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

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